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Emergency and Remedial Response Division U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2 290 Broadway, 19th Floor New York, New York 10007-1866 Attention: Ms. Stephanie Vaughn, Remedial Project Manager

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 2890 Woodbridge Avenue Edison, New Jersey 08837 Attn: Lower Passaic River Study Area On-Scene Coordinator

Re: Monthly Progress Report No. 08
Unilateral Administrative Order
Lower Passaic River Study Area River Mile 10.9 Time Critical Removal Action

Dear Ms. Vaughn and On-Scene Coordinator:

Submitted herewith is Monthly Progress Report No. 08 for work performed during February 2013 on the Unilateral Administrative Order (UAO) for the Lower Passaic River Study Area (LPRSA) River Mile 10.9 Time Critical Removal Action (TCRA). This progress report has been prepared pursuant to Section X, Paragraph 32 of the UAO between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Occidental Chemical Corporation, Index No. CERCLA-02-2012-2020.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (732) 246-3091.

Sincerely,

Tierra Solutions, Inc.

Paul J. Pluestein, P.E. Project Coordinator

On behalf of Occidental Chemical Corporation

(as successor to Diamond Shamrock Chemicals Company)

Attachment

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1c: Office of Regional Counsel

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Attn: Lower Passaic River Study Area Site Attorney - Sarah Flanagan

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Attn: Lower Passaic River Study Area Project Manager – Jay Nickerson

## MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT NO. 08 UNILATERAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER LOWER PASSAIC RIVER STUDY AREA RIVER MILE 10.9 TIME CRITICAL REMOVAL ACTION WORK PERIOD: February 2013

- A. <u>Actions Taken Toward Achieving Compliance with the Order</u>
  - 1. None
- B. Actual or Potential Violations and Other Problems Encountered
  - 1. None
- C. Corrective Actions
  - 1. None
- D. <u>Validated Sampling or Testing Results Received or Generated During the Course of Implementing the Work</u>
  - 1. None
- E. Future Plans, Actions and Data Scheduled for next 45 days
  - 1. On March 6<sup>th</sup> EPA agreed to extend the date of submission of financial assurance to June 15, 2013.
  - 2. Tierra awaits further word from EPA as to other ways it can participate and cooperate.
  - 3. Tierra remains ready and available to meet to discuss possible next steps.
- F. Work Completion Estimates
  - 1. None.
- G. Delays Encountered or Anticipated and Mitigation Actions
  - 1. None.